

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

Sir:

I, Mark Wesley Moss, declare that:

1.) I attended The Johns Hopkins University from 1988 through 1992, in pursuit of a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering.

2.) I have been employed by Martek Biosciences Corporation ("Martek") since 1997, where I have performed research in the field of immunoassay design and flow cytometry, and have co-authored several peer reviewed publications relating to the use of algal phycobiliproteins in various immunoassay applications, including flow cytometry. A recitation of some of these publications, together with details of my education, are given in the short version of my curriculum vitae, which is attached as **Exhibit A**.

3.) While employed at Martek, I participated in the development of a new method for stabilizing allophycocyanin ("APC") which avoided the use of strongly chaotropic agents during cross-linking and recovery of APC. The resultant cross-linked APC (hereinafter "SL-APC")

which had not been exposed to strongly chaotropic agents was offered for sale to a third party as described in my previous declaration, which was submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 29, 2005.

4.) Subsequently, it was discovered that the use of SL-APC in time-resolved fluorescence assays conferred enhanced performance compared to conventional cross-linked APC (hereinafter "XL-APC"). and the patent application designated by U.S. Serial No. 09/882,376 ("the '376 application") was prepared and filed. I am a named inventor of the '376 application.

5.) I have also performed, supervised, and monitored quality control ("QC") assays for SureLight®-APC-Streptavidin ("SLAPC-SA"), which is prepared according to the process described in the '376 application and offered for sale by Martek, for a period of six years.

6.) QC assays of SLAPC-SA, which test its activity relative to the standard crosslinked-APC-Streptavidin ("XLAPC-SA") in time-resolved fluorescence assays, have been performed on 43 different lots of SL-APC. The streptavidin component of the conjugates bind to a biotinylated, tyrosine-containing peptide. In the positive control wells of the QC assays, a fraction of tyrosine-containing peptides are phosphorylated, which allows them to be bound by a Europium-labeled anti-phosphotyrosine specific antibody ("anti-pTyr-Eu"). In the negative control wells of the QC assays, all of the tyrosine-containing peptides are unphosphorylated and therefore, will not be bound by a anti-pTyr-Eu. Whenever a sample well contains phosphorylated peptides, the SLAPC-SA (or XLAPC-SA) and anti-pTyr-Eu can bind to the same peptide and are brought into proximity with each other. The well is then excited with 340 nm light, which is absorbed by the bound Eu component, and energy is transferred by a non-radiative, resonant means to the bound SLAPC (or XLAPC) component, which emits light at 665 nm. When no phosphorylated peptides are present, the Eu and SLAPC (or XLAPC) do not come into proximity to each other and no energy is transferred; therefore, very little signal is produced at 665 nm. The ratio of signals from the positive and negative wells are calculated and the ratios for the SLAPC-SA samples are compared to the XLAPC-SA control ratios, which are used as a benchmark. Statistical analysis of the QC assays, as shown in Exhibit B, indicates that the

signal-to-noise ratios of SLAPC-SA compared to XLAPC-SA are, in fact, statistically significant ($p < 0.05$).

7.) Although the resulting signal-to-noise ratios of the QC assays are higher than the signal-to-noise ratios in Example 6 of the '376 application, the QC assays were performed using the SL-APC prepared by the method described in the '376 application and used in Example 6. Example 6, however, used src-tyrosine kinase to phosphorylate all of the peptides. Therefore, the amount of tyrosine that was phosphorylated on each peptide used in Example 6 was less than the amount of tyrosine that was phosphorylated on each of the phosphorylated peptides used in the QC assay. Because the phosphorylation methods used in the two assays are different, it would be reasonable to obtain a different magnitude of signal-to-noise ratios. For example, the increased amount of phosphorylated tyrosine on each peptide used in the QC assay may cause the emission of more light, thereby causing a greater signal, because more SLAPC-SA (or XLAPC-SA) and anti-pTyr-Eu are in close proximity to each other.

8.) The undersigned acknowledges that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 U.S.C. § 1001), and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon. The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Executed on:

Declarant's Signature:


Mark W. Moss

EXHIBIT A

CURRICULUM VITAE

Mark Wesley Moss

Current Position

Martek Biosciences, Columbia, MD- Group Leader, Research and Development, Detection Systems Group

Professional Background

2002-04 Martek Biosciences, Columbia, MD- Research Associate III, Research and Development, Detection Systems Group

1997-97 Martek Biosciences, Columbia, MD- Research Associate II, Fluorescent Products Group

1994-97 The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Division of Infectious Disease, Baltimore, MD- Senior Laboratory Technician II, International HIV/AIDS Reference Laboratory, NIH/NIAID

1990-94 The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Division of Infectious Disease, Baltimore, MD- Laboratory Technician, International HIV/AIDS Reference Laboratory, NIH/NIAID

Education

1988-92 The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore MD. – BS Program, Chemical Engineering

Societies

The Society for Biomolecular Screening

The International Society for Analytical Cytology

The Chesapeake Cytometry Consortium

Professional Experience

Laboratory

Protein microarray design and optimization

Flow cytometry, including operation and maintenance of in-house fluorescent cell sorter

Isolation, derivinization, and bioconjugation of fluorescent proteins and other biomolecules

Fluorescent, chemifluorescent, and enzyme-linked immunoassays and assay development

UV/Vis absorbance and fluorescence emission spectroscopy

Aqueous and organic chemistry methods

Western blotting

Mammalian cell culture

Column chromatography

PCR and RT-PCR

Business development

Intellectual property development

Tradeshows and conferences

Conversion of data and technical works into marketing materials

Graphics for tradeshows and marketing pieces

Other Experience

Biosafety level 3 training and work experience

Yearly QSHA Hazards Communications training

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EXHIBIT B

s/n = signal at 665 nm from positive (hot) wells/ signal at 665 nm from negative (cold) wells

	Martek s/n	Competitor s/n
Lot 1	19.32	5.08
Lot 2	13.02	4.49
Lot 3	19.01	4.06
Lot 4	25.46	5.17
Lot 5	20.41	3.80
Lot 6	20.49	9.60
Lot 7	19.48	10.41
Lot 8	27.23	14.09
Lot 9	19.84	9.87
Lot 10	20.67	11.13
Lot 11	21.95	9.59
Lot 12	19.64	8.75
Lot 13	23.84	10.16
Lot 14	22.60	9.11
Lot 15	25.61	8.36
Lot 16	23.00	6.79
Lot 17	16.70	5.02
Lot 18	20.99	6.04
Lot 19	25.33	7.07
Lot 20	21.18	4.73
Lot 21	21.35	4.73
Lot 22	23.44	5.84
Lot 23	23.39	5.64
Lot 24	22.16	5.09
Lot 25	25.32	7.11
Lot 26	7.37	4.63
Lot 27	16.09	5.88
Lot 28	21.40	7.31
Lot 29	19.28	6.59
Lot 30	20.85	6.55
Lot 31	17.41	7.78
Lot 32	16.36	7.01
Lot 33	16.12	7.86
Lot 34	16.84	7.46
Lot 35	12.43	5.53
Lot 36	13.03	6.07
Lot 37	19.30	6.05
Lot 38	31.28	11.94
Lot 39	24.91	7.32
Lot 40	28.93	8.92
Lot 41	17.67	7.41
Lot 42	21.92	7.64
Lot 43	25.35	6.91
<i>Mean</i>	20.65	7.22
<i>StdDev</i>	4.58	2.26
<i>CV</i>	0.22	0.31

<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Martek s/n</u>	<u>Competitor s/n</u>
Table Analyzed	Data 2	Number of values	43
Column A	martek s/n	Minimum	7.37
vs	vs	25% Percentile	17.67
Column B	competitor s/n	Median	20.85
		75% Percentile	23.44
		Maximum	31.28
Paired t test			14.09
P value	P<0.0001	Mean	20.6505
P value summary	***	Std. Deviation	4.57507
Are means signif. different? (P < 0.05)	Yes	Std. Error	0.697692
One- or two-tailed P value?	Two-tailed		0.344024
t, df	t=21.5145 df=42	Lower 95% CI	19.2425
Number of pairs	43	Upper 95% CI	22.0585
How big is the difference?			7.9173
Mean of differences	13.4274		
95% confidence interval	12.1674 to 14.6875		
R squared	0.916811		
How effective was the pairing?			
Correlation coefficient (r)	0.449145		
P Value (one tailed)	0.0013		
P value summary	**		
Was the pairing significantly effective?	Yes		